

# Thomas Russell Junior School

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## Newsletter



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### Enterprise Project

We continue to hear some amazing stories from children and parents about the Enterprise Project and would like to say a HUGE thank you. We are absolutely overwhelmed with how well the project has taken off this time and are truly grateful for how families and the community have pulled together (and reached deep into pockets) to make this such a success.

We have opened up an item on ParentPay to begin to collect funds raised. If children worked in a group, and one parent uploads the funds raised, then please also drop an e-mail to Mrs Patrick ([lpatrick@thomasrussell-junior.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:lpatrick@thomasrussell-junior.staffs.sch.uk)) so we know who was in each group.

Please could we ask children who have been completing the booklets to return them to their class teacher clearly named once they are finished. We also know that many children will have photographs that they would like to share (and we would love to see) so I have included teacher e-mails below so you are able to send these in.

During w/c 12<sup>th</sup> June, we will be asking children to present to their year groups to share their projects and achievements. If children want to make a PowerPoint or present their project in any other way, then you could e-mail anything to the teacher e-mails below. Alternatively, they could talk through their project booklet or talk from memory if they would prefer.

There will be a reward for every single child who took part.

Thank you again for your amazing support and engagement ☺

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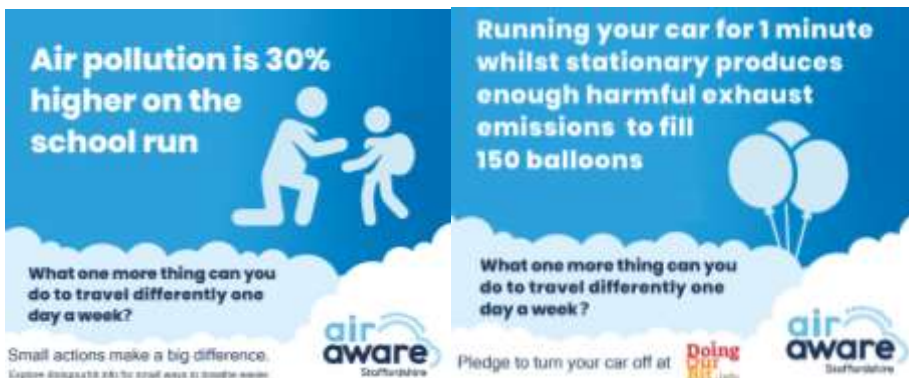
## Climate Changers Assembly



We had a very interesting and informative assembly on Wednesday, joined by our special guest Rhona, who wears many hats: Chief Planet & Impact Officer / Mentor Prince's Trust / Trustee Education Africa / Founder Reclaim Earth & iReGen Ltd / The Rhona Morrell Podcast / Investor / Climate & Board Advisor - not least of all being Elicia's mum 😊

Rhona talked to us about the various different jobs she has that help raise awareness about our planet and the important role all of us have in helping protect where we live. She also mentioned the UN's 17 Sustainable goals - more information can be found here: <https://sdgs.un.org/goals>

Our focus this week is on 'Walk to School' and the impact the school run has on air pollution. We watched part of this clip <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yitgu2CxtEk> which explains air pollution. We need your help with this one! Please encourage your child/ren to walk/scoot to school where possible, and if you do have to travel by car, please don't keep your engine running.



### Early Birds and Night Owls

Early Birds runs daily between 8:00 and 8:45 and costs £3.25 per session.

**Early Bird Bookings for Summer 2** can be made via [www.schoolinterviews.co.uk](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk) using the code: **fzcev**

Night Owls runs daily from 3:30 until 5:45

(Except last day of term) and costs £8.75 per session.

**Night Owls Bookings for Summer 2** can be made via [www.schoolinterviews.co.uk](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk) using the code: **vsj23**



**Booking is ESSENTIAL.**

**We only guarantee availability for Summer 2 on bookings made by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.**

When making your bookings, please bear in mind that Y6 children will be at Standon Bowers from Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July. They will also have transition days at their new school, which may vary depending on where they will be attending. JTHS transition is on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July.

## Sports Day

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our Sports Day on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May.

Despite the large boggy area on the main field (which we weren't even able to cut with a small ride on mower) we have been able to position a running track in a different area of our field so we are ready and raring to go for Sports Day. The forecast for the coming week is good ☺.

Huge thanks to those at Holland Sports who very kindly offered us space there to hold the event if our field remained too wet.

Thank you to the group of parents who have come forward offering support with refreshments, these will be available from just inside or outside the new mobile (depending on weather).

Please could we ask all visiting parents / grandparents to use the toilets in the new mobile, leaving those in the main building for children's use.

Parents are permitted to take photographs of their own children, but please try to avoid including any other pupils in shot. Please could we also ask you to refrain from posting photographs of any children except your own on social media for safeguarding reasons.

You will find attached to this Newsletter a copy of the Sports Day programme.  
Children will leave school at normal time - 3:30. We look forward to seeing you.

There will not be a Newsletter next week due to Sports Day on Thursday and INSET Day on Friday.  
Teachers are in school on Friday, but it is closed to pupils.

**We hope you all have a lovely half term holiday when it gets here.**

*Best wishes, Mrs Sharpe*

## Community News

For our Enterprise  
We wanted to have fun  
So we're having a party for  
everyone 🎉🌐

A Disco at Barton Bowls  
Club for TRJS pupils  
Friday 26th May  
3pm-5pm

£3 per ticket includes admission and  
drink

The Bowls Club has very kindly been donated,  
so all ticket money and any sales made will  
be for the School Enterprise project

Tickets available from The  
Bowls Club,  
Gemma ward

+ Ann ward at school drop off and  
pick up times or pay on the door

Cakes and goodies will be  
available to buy on the  
afternoon

With all proceeds going to the School fund

Hope to see you there  
Eva, Sophie, Ruby and Mya

